A

MEMORIAL

Of the DEMANDS made by the

Confederate Princes,

Which was presented by their

PLENIPOTENTIARIES,

TO THE

Baron *de Lilienroot*,

The Mediator Plenipotentiary of the King of Sweden, and afterward Communicated to the French *King's Plenipotentiaries at* Ryswick, *May,* 15th. 1697.

WITH

The Answer of the Fr. Ambassadors to the same Memorial.

The Demands of His Imperial Majesty.

I. THat the Treaties of Peace concluded at *Munster*, and *Nimeguen*, shall be inviolably observ'd in all their particular Points and Articles; as also, that *France* shall restore to his Imperial Majesty, the Towns of *Strasburg*, and *Philipsburg*, together with their Citadels and Fortifications, in their present Condition.

II. That the ten Towns of *Alsatia* shall be restor'd to their former Condition; that is to say, as they were Surrender'd to *France*, in the Year 1648. And that the Protectorship of them only shall be reserv'd to His Most Christian Majesty. And that the Nobility of *Alsatia* shall enjoy the same Privileges with that of the Empire.

III. That *France* shall be oblig'd to restore to all the Members of the said Empire, all that has been violently taken from them, or invaded on any pretence whatever; particularly the Town of *Mont-Royal* to the Elector of *Triers*, and that the Castle of *Ehrenburg* shall be immediately demolish'd.

IV. That the whole *Palatinate* shall be entirely restor'd to his Electoral Highness the P. *Palatin*; and that Madam the Dutchess of *Orleans* shall quit all manner of Claim or Pretensions to the County of *Spanheim*, and other Feodal Territories of the *Palatinate*.

V. That the Dutchy of *Lorraine* and *Bar*, shall be restor'd to its lawful Prince, with the Capital Town of *Nancy*; without reserving to *France* the three Passages mention'd in the Treaty of *Nimeguen*; provided nevertheless that the D. of *Lorraine* shall be oblig'd to grant a free Passage to the *French* Garrisons that shall have occasion to enter those Places, which are in the possession of the Crown of *France*, on the *Rhine*.

VI. That *France* shall no longer Intermeddle with, or have any Concerns in the Differences or Contests which are now on foot, or may happen between His Imperial Majesty and the Princes of *Italy*, who depend on the Empire.

VII. That His Most Christian Majesty shall give reasonable satisfaction to the Allies of His Imperial Majesty.

The Demands of Spain.

I. That his Most C. M. shall resign to the K. of *Spain* to be a perpetual Barrier or Boundary between the *French* Low Countries and those of *Spain*, the Town of *Charleroy*, *Mons*, *Maubeuge*, *Tournay*, *Menin*, *Ypres*, *Courtray*, *Furnes*, and *Cambray*, with the Territories of *Cambresis*; as also, all the Dependencies, Castles and Villages belonging to the said Places, and even the City of *Lux.* in it's present State, together with it's 23 Villages.

II. That in *Catalonia*, the Towns of *Girona*, *Rosas*, and *Urgel*, and the whole Territory of *Lamberdam*, with their Dependencies, shall be restor'd to his most Catholick Majesty.

III. That His Most Christian Majesty shall resign to the *Spaniards* that part of the Island of *Hispaniola* in *America*, which has been for some time in his Possession; and that His Most C. M. shall give reasonable Satisfaction to the Allies of His Most Catholick Majesty.

The Demands of the King of Great Brittain, *&c.*

I. That his Majesty having much Interest in the Preservation of the *Spanish* Low Countries, demands that the respective Places and Towns, which *Spain* requires of *France*, be restor'd to His Most Catholick Majesty, without any Reservation.

II. That the Principality of *Orange* be restor'd to His *Britannick* Majesty, with it's Sovereignty.

III. That the Edict of Nants be Re-establish'd in it's Ancient State, Force, and Vigour.

IV. That His Most Christian Majesty shall renounce the Protection granted to the Enemies of His Majesty and his Kingdoms; and that for

MEMOIRE

DES PRETENTIONS

des Princes Confederez,

Delivré par leurs

PLENIPOTENTIAIRES

AU

Baron de *Lilienroot*,

Mediateur & Plenipotentiaire de sa Majesté Suedoise, *qui l'a communiqué aux Ambassadeurs Plenipotentiaire de sa Majesté Tres-Chrétienne, à* Ryswick, *le* 15. May 1697.

AVEC

La Réponse des Ambassadeurs, audit Memoire.

Pretentions de sa Majesté Imperiale.

I. QUE la Paix de Munster & de Nimegue, sera fainctement observée dans tous ses Points & Articles. Que la France rendra la ville de Strasbourg & celle de Philisbourg, comme elles sont à present, avec leur Citadelles & Fortifications, à la Majesté Imperiale.

II. Que les dix Villes d'Alsace, seront remises dans leur premier Etat, à scavoir; comme elles furent rendües à la France l'année 1648. & que le Protectorat seulement en demeurera à sa Majesté Tres Chrétienne. Et toute la Noblesse d'Alsace, jouira des mêmes Privileges que celle de l'Empire.

III. Que la France sera obligée de rendre à tous les Membres du St. Empire, tout ce qu'elle leur a enlevé & envahy pour quelque pretexte que ce puisse être, & particulierement à S. A. E. de Treves, la Ville de Mont-Royal; Que le Château d'Ebembourg sera demoly sur le champ.

IV. Que tout le Palatinat sera rendu à S. A. E. le Prince Palatin. Que Madame la Duchesse d'Orleans renoncera aux pretentions qu'elle croit avoir sur le Comté de Spanhim & autres Fiefs du Palatinat.

V. Que la Duché de Lorraine & de Bar, sera rendüe à son legitime Prince, avec la Ville de Nancy, sans que la France se puisse conserver les trois passages mentionnés dans la Paix de Nimegue; Mais que toutefois le Duc de Lorraine sera tenu de donner passage libre, aux Garnisons de France qui devront passer dans les places que cette Couronne possede sur le Rhin.

VI. Que la France ne se mêlera plus des demêlez que sa M. I. a, ou peut avoir avec les Princes d'Italie qui sont Feudataires d'Empire.

VII. Que sa Majesté Tres-Chrétienne donnera une raisonnable satisfaction aux Confederez de sa Majesté Imperiale.

Pretentions de l'Espagne.

I. Que sa M. T. C. cedera au Roy d'Espagne pour Barriere perpetuelle entre les Pais-Bas, François & Espagnols, les villes de Charleroy, de Mons, Maubeuge, Tournay, Menin, Ypres, Courtray, Furnes, & Cambray avec le Cambresis, comme aussi toutes les dependances, Châteaux, Bourgs & Villages desdites places, & même la ville de Luxembourg, telle qu'elle est à present, avec ses 23. Villages.

II. Qu'en Catalogne, les Villes de Gironne, Roses, & Urgal & tout le Lamberdam avec leur dépendances, seront rendües à la Majesté Catholique.

III. Que sa M. T. C. cedera aux Espagnols, la partie de l'Ile d'Hispagnola qu'elle possede depuis quelque tems dans la Merique, & que sa M. T. C. donnera une satisfaction raisonnable aux Alliez de sa Majesté Catholique.

Pretentions de sa Majesté de la Grande Bretagne.

I. Sa Majesté ayant beaucoup d'interêt à la conservation des Pais-Bas Espagnols, elle pretend que les Places & les villes que l'Espagne demande à la France, seront rendües à sa Majesté Catholique sans aucune reserve.

II. Que la Principauté d'Orange sera restituée à sa Majesté Britanique avec sa Principauté.

III. Que l'Edit de Nantes sera rétabli dans son ancien état & vigeur.

IV. Que sa M. T. C. renoncera à la protection accordée aux Ennemis de sa Majesté & de ses Royaumes, & que pour l'avenir elle ne prêtera

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the future, no Relief or Assistance shall be afforded by him, neither directly, nor indirectly to the said Enemies of His *Britannick* Majesty.

V. That *France* shall resign to his *Britannick* Majesty, and the Crown of *England*, all the Northern Coasts of *America*, call'd *Canada*, as well as the other Coasts of *America*, known by the Name of *New-found-land*, with St. John's Fort; and lastly shall give equitable Satisfaction to the Allies of his said *Britannick* Majesty.

France shall be in like manner oblig'd to deliver up to *England* the Town of *Dunkirk*, with its Harbour, and the Fort call'd the *Riche-mont*, upon payment of the Summ of three Millions of *French* Livres.

The Demands of the States General of the United Provinces.

I. That His Most Christian Majesty shall agree to a firm and lasting Peace upon the foot of the Treaties Concluded at *Aix-la-Chapelle*, and *Nimeguen*.

II. That His Majesty shall resign to *Spain*, all the Towns, Castles, Forts, and Burroughs in the low Countries, as they are specify'd in the Memorial presented by the Plenipotentiaries of that Crown to the Baron *de Lilienrot*.

III. That His Most Christian Majesty shall grant a more ample and larger License of Traffick, to the Trading Subjects of the United Provinces, without reserving a Power to augment the Customs for Tonnage, concerted in the Treaties of Commerce made between *France* and this State in the Year 1678.

IV. That the *French* Ships shall be no longer allow'd to pass beyond the Cape of *Good Hope*; neither to Trade, Traffick or maintain any Correspondence by any means whatever in the *East-Indies*.

V. That His Most Christian Majesty shall give plenary Satisfaction to the Potent Allies of this Republick, more especially to his *Britannick* Majesty K. *William*, and to the Elector of *Colen*.

The Demands of the Elector of Colen.

I. His Electoral Highness insists that His Most Christian Majesty ought to indemnifie him as well on account of Losses sustain'd by an unjust War, as for divers vast Summs of Money extorted from his Subjects by the Officers of that Crown, and for the Bombarding of *Liege*.

II. That the Charges requisite to be allowed for the said Indemnifying ought at least to amount to the Summ of fifteen Milli. of *French* Livres.

III. That notwithstanding that the Dutchy of *Bouillon* was granted to *France*, by the Treaty of *Nimeguen*; yet his Electoral Highness requires, by Vertue of the Protestation made at that time by the Ministers of *Liege*, in the Name of the Bishop, then Resident, that the said Dutchy be entirely restor'd to him with all its Dependencies.

IV. That the Town and Castle of *Dinant* shall be likewise restor'd to his Electoral Highness in their present State and Condition.

All the other Princes and Electors of the Empire, demand a firm and lasting Peace to be establish'd on the foot of the Treaty of *Westphalia*, and to be indemnified from the Charges of the War. But his Electoral Highness of *Brandenburg* required further, the Re-establishing of the Edict of *Nantz*, the Restoration of the Principality of *Orange*, and that *France* satisfie the Demands of the Emperor, of King *William*, of the King of *Spain*, and of the States General.

The Answer of the French *King's Ambassadors.*

THE extraordinary Ambassadors, and Plenipotentiaries of His Most Christian Majesty for the Treaty of Peace, were very much surpris'd at the Proposal of Demands, so unreasonable, and so little conformable to the Preliminary Treaties, exhibited on the 20th. Day of *Feb.* of this present Year; as are those of the States confederated against *France*, which were Communicated to them by his Excellency the Baron de *Lilienrot*, the Ambassador of his Swedish Majesty, and Mediator for the Peace. The said Plenipotentiaries of his Most Christian Majesty, on behalf of their Master, do formally declare; that not being by any means able to enter into a Negotiation about Matters which were determin'd by the Treaty of *Munster*, or put in Execution by Vertue of that of *Nimeguen*, which ought to remain on the foot of the Preliminary Treaties, the Rule and Foundation of this future Peace; they are oblig'd to Write to Court to be inform'd of His Majesty's Sentiments in an Affair of so great Importance, and so little expected from Persons who seem to shew so much Zeal for the common Tranquility. Before any further Proceedings, they declare at the same time, that of the Ministers of the Allies delight to act according to the Preliminary Treaties, and all former Treaties of Peace, concerning in the most ample manner all Interests of that Confederacy, for the Tranquility of *Europe*, which may be occasion'd by the Infraction of them in Articles Disputed; and laying the whole blame upon them, of the Allies, who seem delight only in Combining and Studying the Inclination of a firm and lasting Peace, and in endeavouring to gratifie their ambitious Humours at the cost of a perpetual effusion of Christian Blood, using only delays in the Establishing of an Affair, of which a speedy and happy Determination would be of so great advantage to Christendom, and in which the Allies have a particular Interest.

nul secours ou assistance, ni directement, ni indirectement, ausdits Ennemis de sa Majesté Britanique.

V. Que la France cedera à sa M. B. & à la Couronne d'Angleterre toute la Côte Septentrionale de l'Amerique, nomée le Canode, aussi que l'autre côté de l'Amerique, appellée Terre-Neûve, avec le Fort S. Jones, & au reste, une satisfaction équitable, aux Alliz de sa Majesté Britanique.

La France devra aussi ceder à l'Angleterre, la ville de Dunkerque avec son Port & le Riche-Banc, moyennant la somme de 3000000 de Livres de France.

Pretentions des Etats Generaux.

I. Que sa Majesté Tres-Chrêtienne donnera la main à une Paix stable & sure, sur le pied de celle d'Aix-la-Chapelle & de Nimegue.

II. Qu'elle cedera à l'Espagne toute les Villes, Châteaux, Forteresses, & Bourgs dans les Pais-Bas, comme les Plenipotentiaires de ladite Couronne les ont specifiées dans leur pretentions mises entre les mains de Monsieur le Baron de Lilienrot.

III. Que sa M. T. C. accordera une plus ample & plus large liberté de Commerce aux Sujets Negotians des Provinces-Unies, sans pouvoir augmenter le Droit sur le Tonnage, stipulé dans les Traitez de Commerce faits entre la France & cét Etat, l'année 1678.

IV. Qu'il ne sera plus permis aux Bâtimens François, de passer au delà du Cap de Bonne Esperance, ni de Commercer par quelque voye que ce soit, ou de pratiquer dans les Indes Orientales.

V. Que sa M. T. C. donnera une entiere Satisfaction aux Hauts Alliez de cette Republique, mais particulierement à sa Majesté Britanique, le Roy Guillaume, & aux Electeurs de Cologne & de Treves.

Pretensions de son Altesse Electorale de Cologne.

I. Son Alteſſe Electorale pretend, que ſa Majeſté tres-Chrêtienne la devra dedomager de tant de frais d'une injuſte guerre, que des ſommes immenſes que les Officiers de cette Couronne ont extorqué de ſes Etats, & par le Bombardement de Liege.

II. Que ledit dedomagement devra monter au moins à la ſomme de 15 millions de livres de France.

III. Que nonobſtant que la Duché de Boüillon ait été cedée à la France, par la Paix de Nimegue, ſon A. Electorale pretend en vertu de la Proteſtation faite dans ce temps là par les Miniſtres de Liege, au nom de l'Evêque Regnant, que ladite Duché luy ſera rendüe entierement, avec tout ce qui en dépend.

IV. Que la Ville & Château de Dinant ſeront auſſi rendus à ſon Alteſſe Electorale, dans l'état qu'ils ſont à preſent.

Tous les autres Princes & Electeurs de l'Empire, pretendent une Paix ferme & ſolide, ſur le pied de la Paix de Weſtphalie, & un dedomagement des frais de la Guerre. Mais ſon Alteſſe Electorale de Brandebourg, pretend de plus, le retabliſſement de l'Edit de Nantes, la reſtitution d'Orange, & que la France ſatisfaſſe aux Pretenſions de l'Empereur, du Roy Guillaume, du Roy d'Eſpagne, & des Etats Generaux.

Réponſe des Ambaſſadeurs de ſa Majeſté Tres-Crêtienne.

LES Ambaſſadeurs Extraordinaires & Plenipotentiaires de ſa Majeſté Tres-Chrêtienne, pour la Paix, ont été fort étonnez de voir des Propoſitions ſi deraiſonnables & ſi peu conformes aux Traitez Preliminaires du 20. Fevrier dernier, de cette année, comme ſont celles des Puiſſances Ligués contre la France, leſquelles leur ont été communiquées par ſon Excellence le Baron de Lilienrot, Ambaſſadeur de ſa Majeſté Suedoiſe, Mediateur pour la Paix. Leſdits Plenipotentiaires de ſa Majeſté Tres-Chrêtienne, en vertu de leur Maître, declarent formellement, que ne pouvant nullement entrer en Negoce ſur des choſes qui ont été terminées par la Paix de Munſter, ou executées par la Paix de Nimegue, qui doivent tenir un pied de la Lettre, des Traitez Preliminaires, le fondement & la baſe de la Paix future (ils ſont obligez d'écrire à la Cour, pour s'informer de l'intention de ſa Majeſté, dans une matiere ſi importante & ſi peu attendüe des gens qui pretendent avoir tant de zele pour le repos commun,) avant que de paſſer plus outre: Ils declarent en même temps, que ſi les Miniſtres des Alliez ont le deſſein de ſatisfaire aux Traitez Preliminaires, & d'entrer en Negoce ſur les choſes [illegible] la Paix de Nimegue, leſdits Plenipotentiaires de ſa [illegible] y donner le plutôt poſſible, pour contribuer à l'heureux & de ſouhaité à la tranquilité de l'Europe; en reprenant dans la ſuite ſur ceux des Alliez qui n'auront pas [illegible] & conclure une Paix ſolide & ſtable, & qui ne cherchent qu'à [illegible] à leurs ambitieux, au prix d'une effuſion ſanguelle de ſang Chrêtien, ne faiſant que parler de longueur dans une affaire, dont une fin ſolide & heureuſe doit être ſi ſalutaire à la Chrêtienté, & à laquelle les Alliez ont un Interêt ſi particulier.

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